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EDWIN B. STEVENS,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
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SECRETARY TO THE PRESIDENT

September 27, 1917.

President Robert A. Falconer,
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Canada.

Dear Sir:

Following the suggestion which has come to us through a report of a recent conference in Washington, D. C., we are writing you to see if you may not be able to suggest someone to assist our military department in the instruction which we are obliged to give this coming year with a greatly reduced force. We are fortunate in having at the head of the department of military science, a retired army officer. We shall be glad to obtain the services temporarily of a Canadian officer, who has seen service at the front and who may be able to give military instruction to our students.

If you have such a man in mind, kindly let us know upon which terms he would be available. The University is unfortunate in not being in a position to furnish adequate salaries for the military instructors. These men have up to the present time, been paid by the Federal Government. We shall be glad, however, to know what financial arrangements should be made and meet them, in case we may be able to make the necessary arrangements.

Very truly yours,

E. B. Stevens

EBS/MD Executive Secretary.

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October 4th, 1917

Mr. F. P. Stevens,

University of Washington,

Seattle.

Dear Sir:

I have the name of an officer returned from the front who I believe would fulfil the conditions that you require admirably. He is Lieutenant F. C. Hamilton, has been on active service in France and held a commission in the Imperial Artillery; has been invalided home. He is a man of very fine appearance, comes of good family and I should think in every way would fill the position well.

With regard to terms, Mr. Hamilton is expecting a promotion to the position of Captain. This would mean for him $150 a month and a certain amount for maintenance here. He thinks that if he gives up this position, the position he gets should be equal to it. Also the distance is so great that he thinks there should be an allowance for travelling expenses.

If you would like lieutenant Hamilton to accept the position, I will correspond with him, and see that the military authorities give him release.

Yours sincerely,

President.